

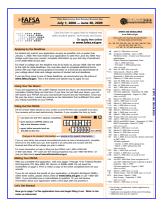
Are your students getting all the financial aid they can?

Now is the time college-bound Kentucky seniors start applying for financial aid. Applying early is the key to their receiving funds from the need-based grant programs administered by KHEAA: the College Access Program (CAP) Grant and the Kentucky Tuition Grant (KTG).

CAP Grants help Kentucky's financially needy undergraduate students attend a public or private college in Kentucky, including the community and technical colleges. The KTG program helps offset the higher tuition costs at the state's private colleges.

To apply for either grant, students must complete the FAFSA. Students can apply online at www.fafsa.ed.gov or call (800) 433-3243 to obtain a paper FAFSA. Filing online gives students and parents the opportunity to make fewer errors and receive quicker responses.

FAFSA processing for the 2008-2009 academic year is under way now. Students should complete their FAFSA as soon as possible since CAP and KTG funds are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis and funding is limited. Students who submit their FAFSA by the priority deadline of March 15 have the best chance of receiving a state grant.



At www.kheaa.com, students can find a link to the FAFSA as well as a list of colleges that participate in the state grant programs. If you have additional questions about the CAP or KTG programs, feel free to contact KHEAA's state grant coordinator, Randy Petty, at rpetty@kheaa.com or 800.928.8926, ext. 6-7397.

Transcript Exchange System on GoHigherKY.org now available

KHEAA and The Student Loan People have implemented the Transcript Exchange System through the GoHigherKY. org website. Join other school and admissions counselors who are taking advantage of this free and convenient solution. The process is simple and easy to use. From the GoHigherKY.org website, high school counselors and college administrators can electronically send and receive transcripts for one or many students at a time; and students can request their high school transcript be sent to Kentucky colleges and universities.

"The ability to receive high school transcripts electronically will allow our office to complete student files quickly so an admission decision can be made," said Melissa Gorbrandt, Northern Kentucky University's Director of Admissions. "This is an exciting partnership between colleges, high schools and GoHigherKY; and we look forward to the participation of additional Kentucky high schools."

KHEAA and The Student Loan People will offer training on the GoHigherKY.org Transcript Exchange System at two events in March. The Kentucky School Counselor Association conference will be held March 5-7, and the Kentucky Association of Secondary and College Admissions Counselors conference will be March 12-14. Both conferences will be held in Lexington and will offer "Simple and Successful Transcripts in a Click" sessions to give counselors a chance to learn more about the Transcript Exchange System.

For more information regarding these conferences, you may contact the following:

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